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Denali Training Fund Quarterly Progress Report

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Name of Organization: Tlingit-Haida Regional Housing Authority

Name of Project: Weatherization Training

Reporting Period: December 19, 2008 through March 31, 2009

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Expenditures to date:

Certification: I certify that the information in this report is current, correct and true and in accordance with the terms and conditions of the agreement.

1. In a few sentences, please describe the scope of your project:

Participants will receive training on Weatherization procedures, repair techniques, and proper building material selections, necessary hands-on training that is required as a skill set mandated by the Weatherization program. Participants will be trained to fill employment positions; Weatherization Supervisors, Carpenters, and Laborers.

2. Project Activities for this Reporting Period:

According to the grant agreement training, eight individuals participated in the first training that took place in Hydaburg January 26-30, 2009. The instructor was provided by Alaska Works Partnership.

Seven participants received training March 15-17, 2009 in Juneau. Training was provided by Wisdom and Associates on Combustion Appliance Zone (CAZ) depressurization testing. This is special training required for Weatherization Assessors. There is an immediate need for Weatherization assessments in Southeast Alaska

The DTF has been successful in concert with the State of Alaska STEP program whereby wages for the first 80 hours are matched by the STEP program in the amount of \$7.50 per hour and remaining hours at \$9.50 per hour. Presently there are close to 15 individuals participating in the STEP program based on the initial DTF training.

3. Scheduled Project Activities/Important Dates for next quarter:

April 24-25, 2009 Trainees will participate in Weatherization program training instructed by Alaska Craftsman Home Program (ACHP) sponsored by AHFC in Saxman/Ketchikan.

The following two months will include the final training sessions for this grant period. Grant partner, Alaska Works Partnership (AWP) is striving to schedule Weatherization training that will fulfill the Denali Training Fund Grant agreement. Once AWP indentifies qualified instructors training will be scheduled for May and June.

Due to the demand on AWP for instructors, consideration may be made to incorporate trainers, Marquam George of the University of Alaska, and Chris Clay of Washington State.

- 4. a. How many are in your training program during this reporting period? 15
 - b. How many people have been trained and/or certified to date from this grant?

5. Please complete the list by putting the community to which each individual trained is from, the type of training and certification, the graduation date and who will employ them upon completion of training.

Community where trainee lives	Type of Training/ Service	Type of Certification to be earned	Dates of training	Graduation Date	Employment commitment after training is complete
Hydaburg	Wx	Completion	1/26-1/30	1/30/09	THRHA
Klawock	Wx	Completion	1/26-1/30	1/30/09	THRHA
Craig	Wx	Completion	1/26-1/30	1/30/09	THRHA
Ketchikan	Wx	Completion	1/26-1/30	1/30/09	THRHA
Hydaburg	Wx	Completion	1/26-1/30	1/30/09	THRHA
Klawock	Wx	Completion	1/26-1/30	1/30/09	THRHA
Klawock	Wx	Completion	1/26-1/30	1/30/09	THRHA
Klawock	Wx	Completion	1/26-1/30	1/30/09	THRHA
Hydaburg	CST	Completion	3/18/09	3/18/09	THRHA
Ketchikan	CAZ	Completion	3/16-3/18	3/18/09	THRHA

Petersburg	CAZ	Completion	3/18-3/19	3/18/09	THRHA
Juneau	CAZ	Completion	3/16-3/19	3/18/09	THRHA
Angoon	CAZ	Completion	3/16-3/18	3/18/09	THRHA
Juneau	CAZ	Completion	3/16-3/19	3/18/09	THRHA
Hydaburg	CST	Completion	3/18/09	3/18/09	THRHA

6. Please identify any problems or changes in your training project that will affect the budget, scope or timeline of the project.

Due to the demand on Alaska Works Partnership Trainers, Tlingit-Haida Regional Housing Authority's (THRHA) training schedule has been altered and will require training sessions through June 2009. Alaska Works Partnership will continue to work with THRHA based on availability of trainers.

The scope of the project will not change, however, identifying qualified instructors for the training may require working with AHFC and/or other training agencies in coordination with Alaska Works Partnership in order to achieve completion of training.

The program is in line with the grant budget with the bulk of spending due to occur during the second quarter of the grant period. Two trainees from Juneau have been incorporated into the Denali Training Fund in order to meet the goals and outcome of the training intent.

7. How are you or will you be evaluating the individuals being trained to ensure competency, skill level and understanding? (Testing, assessment, etc)

Completion of training and competency of actual work performed following training. Trainees will receive course completion certificates upon evaluation of OJT work performance. Trainees will possess skills and knowledge that is portable to other Wx agencies performing Home Weatherization.

8. Please identify areas that we can assist you in the future.

In the event that a grant extension is required, a formal request for extension will be presented to the grant administrator, State of Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development, Gerry McDonaugh.